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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

ROBERT AND COLLEEN MOSSER,)
Plaintiff)
v.) Case No.:
NCO FINANCIAL SYSTEMS, INC.,) COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR
Defendant) JURY TRIAL)

COMPLAINT

ROBERT AND COLLEEN MOSSER ("Plaintiffs"), by and through their attorneys, KIMMEL & SILVERMAN, P.C., alleges the following against NCO FINANCIAL SYSTEMS, INC. ("Defendant"):

INTRODUCTION

Plaintiffs' Complaint is based on the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15
 U.S.C. § 1692 et seq. ("FDCPA").

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 2. Jurisdiction of this court arises pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(d), which states that such actions may be brought and heard before "any appropriate United States district court without regard to the amount in controversy," and 28 U.S.C. § 1331 grants this court original jurisdiction of all civil actions arising under the laws of the United States.
- 3. Defendant has its corporate headquarters in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and as such, personal jurisdiction is established.
 - 4. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(1).

PARTIES

- 5. Plaintiffs are natural persons residing in Jeannette, Pennsylvania.
- 6. Plaintiffs are a "consumer" as that term is defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692a(3).
- 7. Also, Plaintiffs are persons granted a cause of action under the FDCPA. See 15 U.S.C. §1692k(a) and Wenrich v. Cole, 2000 U.S. Dist LEXIS 18687 (E.D. Pa. Dec. 22, 2000).
- 8. Defendant is a national debt collection company with its corporate headquarters located at 507 Prudential Road, Horsham, PA 19044.
- 9. Defendant is a "debt collector" as that term is defined by 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(6), and repeatedly contacted Plaintiffs in an attempt to collect a debt.
- 10. Defendant acted through its agents, employees, officers, members, directors, heirs, successors, assigns, principals, trustees, sureties, subrogees, representatives, and insurers.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 11. Defendant and others it retained constantly and continuously placed harassing and abusive collection calls to Plaintiffs seeking and demanding payment for an alleged consumer debt.
- 12. Upon information and belief, the alleged debt Defendant was seeking to collect arose out of transactions, which were primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.
- 13. Defendant, its employees and servants harassed Plaintiffs by making continuous calls to their home telephone number beginning in November 2011 and continuing through December 30, 2011, seeking to collect a debt.
 - 14. Defendant contacted Plaintiffs, on average, one (1) to two (2) times a day.
- 15. Many of Defendant's collection calls originated from: (888) 289-0907, which the undersigned has confirmed is a telephone number belonging to Defendant.

- 16. Wanting Defendant's repeated and continuous telephone calls to stop, on at least one (1) occasion, Plaintiffs spoke with an employee of Defendant, who identified himself as "Carlton Williams."
- 17. Plaintiffs informed Mr. Williams that they wanted Defendant to stop contacting them and requested that Defendant send them verification of the debt.
- 18. Despite Plaintiff's instructions to stop calling them, Defendant continued to contact Plaintiff on a daily basis seeking and demanding payment of an alleged debt.
 - 19. Moreover, Defendant failed to send Plaintiffs verification of the alleged debt.
 - 20. Most recently, Defendant contacted Plaintiffs on December 30, 2011.
- 21. The repetitive calls to Plaintiffs were disturbing, harassing, and an invasion of their privacy.

CONSTRUCTION OF LAW

- Durand, 103 F.3d 1232 (5th Cir. 1997). "Because the Act imposes strict liability, a consumer need not show intentional conduct by the debt collector to be entitled to damages." Russell v. Equifax A.R.S., 74 F. 3d 30 (2d Cir. 1996); see also Gearing v. Check Brokerage Corp., 233 F.3d 469 (7th Cir. 2000) (holding unintentional misrepresentation of debt collector's legal status violated FDCPA); Clomon v. Jackson, 988 F. 2d 1314 (2d Cir. 1993).
- 23. The FDCPA is a remedial statute, and therefore must be construed liberally in favor of the debtor. Sprinkle v. SB&C Ltd., 472 F. Supp. 2d 1235 (W.D. Wash. 2006). The remedial nature of the FDCPA requires that courts interpret it liberally. Clark v. Capital Credit & Collection Services, Inc., 460 F. 3d 1162 (9th Cir. 2006). "Because the FDCPA, like the Truth in Lending Act (TILA) 15 U.S.C §1601 et seq., is a remedial statute, it should be

construed liberally in favor of the consumer." <u>Johnson v. Riddle</u>, 305 F. 3d 1107 (10th Cir. 2002).

24. The FDCPA is to be interpreted in accordance with the "least sophisticated" consumer standard. See Jeter v. Credit Bureau, Inc., 760 F.2d 1168 (11th Cir. 1985); Graziano v. Harrison, 950 F. 2d 107 (3rd Cir. 1991); Swanson v. Southern Oregon Credit Service, Inc., 869 F.2d 1222 (9th Cir. 1988). The FDCPA was not "made for the protection of experts, but for the public - that vast multitude which includes the ignorant, the unthinking, and the credulous, and the fact that a false statement may be obviously false to those who are trained and experienced does not change its character, nor take away its power to deceive others less experienced." Id. The least sophisticated consumer standard serves a dual purpose in that it ensures protection of all consumers, even naive and trusting, against deceptive collection practices, and protects collectors against liability for bizarre or idiosyncratic interpretations of collection notices. Clomon, 988 F. 2d at 1318.

COUNT I DEFENDANT VIOLATED THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT

- 25. In its actions to collect a debt, Defendant violated the FDCPA in one or more of the following ways:
 - a. Defendant violated the FDCPA generally;
 - b. Defendant violated §1692d of the FDCPA by harassing Plaintiffs in connection with the collection of an alleged debt;
 - c. Defendant violated §1692d(5) of the FDCPA by causing a telephone to ring and engaging Plaintiffs in telephone conversations repeatedly and continuously with the intent to annoy, abuse, and harass Plaintiffs; and

d. Defendant violated §1692f of the FDCPA by using unfair and unconscionable means with Plaintiffs to collect or attempt to collect a debt.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, ROBERT and COLLEEN MOSSER, respectfully pray for a judgment as follows:

- a. All actual damages suffered pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(a)(1);
- b. Statutor y damages of \$1,000.00 for the violation of the FDCPA pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(a)(2)(A);
- c. All reasonable attorneys' fees, witness fees, court costs and other litigation costs incurred by Plaintiff pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1693k(a)(3); and
- d. Any other relief deemed appropriate by this Honorable Court.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiffs, ROBERT and COLLEEN MOSSER, demand a jury trial in this case.

Date: 13012

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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